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The Office Action mailed on March 18, 2002 has been received and carefully reviewed. Consideration of the remarks set forth below is respectfully requested.

REMARKS

35 U.S.C. §103(a) Rejection

The Examiner rejected claims 1-11, 13-14, 16-21, and 23-26 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Geller et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,844, 554).

Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection and requests reconsideration of the claims. Applicant feels that claims 1-11, 13-14, 16-21, and 23-26 are allowable for the following reasons.

Claim 1 is directed to a method for an interface to an enterprise resource planning (ERP) system that specifies providing a data file to be loaded into the ERP system, providing a parameter file for mapping data from the data file to screens of an ERP, and processing each record in the data file according to parameters in the parameter file to execute screens of the ERP system to provide data from the date file to the ERP system. Applicant respectfully maintains that the reference, Geller et al. does